

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 599

By Pleasant

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Elsa Doris McMullen  
on the celebration of her 91st birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, Elsa Doris Thomason Reeder McMullen will celebrate her 91st birthday on November 1, 2003, a milestone that will be commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of George and Maggie Thomason, Mrs. McMullen was born and raised in the Bolton community of Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, a lifetime resident of Bolton, Mrs. McMullen is a highly respected member of her community; and

WHEREAS, for many years, Elsa McMullen served with acumen and alacrity at Kraus Cleaners, where she earned the respect of her peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of her work; and

WHEREAS, in 1933, Elsa Thomason was joined in marriage with Arvel Reeder, who passed on to his great reward in 1972. Four years later, she became reacquainted with her first

boyfriend, Aubry McMullen, and they were married in 1977; Mrs. McMullen enjoyed his companionship for one year before he too passed away; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. McMullen has long been deeply involved in all aspects of her community, organizing and leading the Northeast Shelby County Cluster of Churches, serving as Vice President of the Millington Senior Citizens from 1982 until 1991, becoming a charter member of the Millington Ecumenical Bazaar, and spearheading the successful effort to bring a public park to the people of Bolton; and

WHEREAS, as she delves into her tenth decade, Elsa McMullen is still an active and productive member of society, participating in various civic and community events, as her health permits; and

WHEREAS, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Elsa Doris McMullen for her meritorious service to the State of Tennessee, congratulate her on the occasion of her 91st birthday, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.